#### HISTORICAL LANDMARK COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

Stevens Garage New Construction 58 South 1200 East PLNHLC2009-01224 December 2, 2009



Applicant: Colin Stevens

Staff: Katia Pace, 535-6354, katia.pace@slcgov.com

Tax ID: 16-05-226-013

<u>Current Zone</u>: R-2 Single and Two-Family Residential District

#### Master Plan Designation:

Central Community Master Plan, Low Density Residential

#### **Council District:**

District 4, Luke Garrott

#### Lot & Building Size:

0.19 acres (8,276 square feet)

#### **Current Use:**

■ Single-Family Residence

# Applicable Land Use Regulations:

- 21A.34.020
- 21A.24.110
- 21A.40.050
- Historical Design Guidelines

#### Notification:

- Notice mailed 11/17/09
- Sign posted 11/20/09
- Agenda posted on the Planning Division and Utah Public Meeting Notice websites 11/17/09

#### Attachments:

- A. Site Plan
- B. Transportation Division Review
- C. Photos

# Request

This is a request by Colin Stevens for construction of a new detached garage with excessive height located at 58 South 1200 East in the University Historic District. As part of the request, the applicant is requesting approval from the Historic Landmark Commission to build the structure 19 feet tall in a zoning district that allows a maximum height of 17 feet for a pitched roof accessory structure. The subject property is located in the R-2 (Single and Two-Family Residential) zoning district.

#### Staff Recommendation

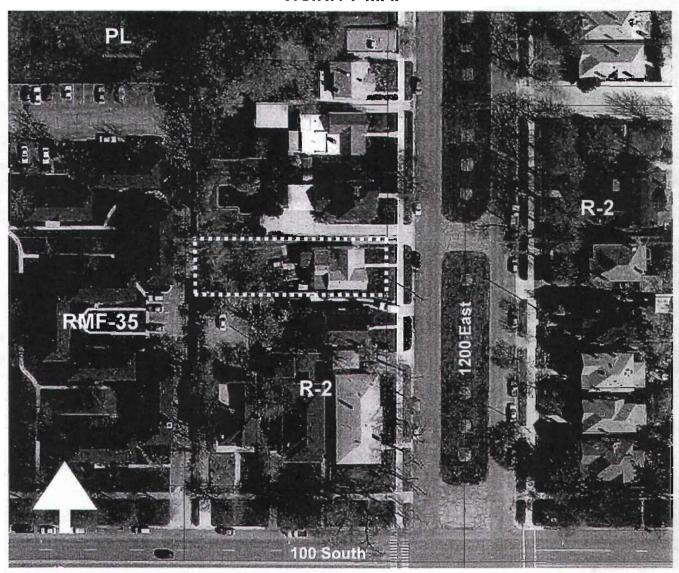
Based on the analysis and findings of this staff report, it is the Planning Staff's opinion that the project does not meet the applicable ordinances, design guidelines and adopted policies and therefore, recommends that the Historical Landmark Commission deny the request.

#### Alternative recommendation:

That the Historical Landmark Commission approve the request based on the following findings (Commission must add alternate findings) with the following conditions:

- The Historical Landmark Commission delegates the final authority for the design to the Planning Director.
- The project must meet all other applicable City requirements, unless otherwise modified within the authority of the Historic Landmark Commission, or Board of Adjustment.
- The Historical Landmark Commission allows a modification to the maximum building height standard.
- The Historical Landmark Commission makes a recommendation to the Board of Adjustment for the square footage of the proposed structure.

#### VICINITY MAP



# Background

# **Project Description**

The applicant is the owner of the single-family home built in 1896 and located at 58 South 1200 East. This is a one story stucco period cottage; currently it is covered with aluminum siding, cross-wing plan with gable roof. The applicant does not currently have a garage. At some point the subject property had an attached carport that has been removed. The applicant is a musician that would like to build a garage with an upper attic to store his equipment and play his music.

The proposed accessory structure to be located at the rear of the lot is a detached, single car garage with a hobby shop. The proposed footprint is proposed to be 728 square feet, and the requested height is nineteen feet (19') tall.

In addition to the Historic Landmark Commission review, the applicant has also requested the Board of Adjustment for a Special Exception for additional square footage, and to use the accessory structure as a garage and a hobby shop. According to Section 21A.24.110 D of the Zoning Ordinance, the Historic Landmark Commission makes the decision on the request for additional height and the Board of Adjustment has the authority to review requests for accessory structures that exceed the maximum footprint size. In the R-2, accessory structures are limited to a footprint that is a maximum of 50% of the size of the footprint of the principal structure, up to a maximum of 720 square feet.

#### **Comments**

#### **Public Comments**

The Planning Division received a phone call with a favorable comment concerning this project.

## **Division of Transportation Comments**

After reviewing this project, the Division of Transportation found that the proposed garage is shown for only one parking stall. The second required parking stall (two stalls per single family residence) can be accommodated in front of the building to the south. (See Attachment B)

# Project Review

## **Options**

The Historical Landmark Commission has the following options:

- 1. Approve the request as proposed. This option requires the Historical Landmark Commission to make alternative findings.
- 2. Approve the request with modifications in size, design, and/or materials. This option requires the Historical Landmark Commission to make alternative findings.
- 3. Deny the request based on the analysis and findings in the staff report.

# **Zoning Considerations**

The subject property is located in the University Historic District. The base zoning of the property is R-2, Single and Two-Family Residential District, the purpose of which is "to preserve and protect for single-family dwellings the character of existing neighborhoods which exhibit a mix of single- and two-family dwellings by controlling the concentration of two-family dwelling units." The development requirements for accessory structures and their compliance with the zoning ordinance are listed below.

Requirement	Standard	Proposed	Meet
Height	17'	19'	No
Foot Print of Accessory Structure	50% of the footprint of the principal structure up to a maximum of 720 $f^2$ . HLC review required for structures greater than 600 $f^2$ .	51% 728 f <sup>2</sup>	No
Side Yard Setback	1' from property line and 10' from adjacent principal structure	10'	Yes
Rear Yard Setback	1'-5'	5'	Yes
Building Coverage for principal and accessory structures	40% of lot area	26%	Yes
Yard Coverage	50% of the rear yard	18%	Yes

The principal structure has a front gable roof similar to the majority of the existing garages. The proposed accessory structure will be unique with its side gables and two large shed roof dormers.

**Finding:** The proposed accessory structure is different in architectural style, orientation of the roof, height, and material from the principal structure and from the majority of the accessory structures in the block. The proportion and height of the proposed structure is not subordinate to the primary building. The proposed accessory structure does not fit this standard.

### 2. Composition of Principal Facades:

- a. Proportion of Openings. The relationship of the width to the height of windows and doors of the structure shall be visually compatible with surrounding structures and streetscape;
- b. Rhythm of Solids to Voids in Facades. The relationship of solids to voids in the facade of the structure shall be visually compatible with surrounding structures and streetscape;
- c. Rhythm of Entrance Porch and Other Projections. The relationship of entrances and other projections to sidewalks shall be visually compatible with surrounding structures and streetscape; and
- d. Relationship of Materials. The relationship of the color and texture of materials (other than paint color) of the facade shall be visually compatible with the predominant materials used in surrounding structures and streetscape.

#### Standards for New Construction

11.16 New materials that are similar in character to traditional materials may be acceptable with appropriate detailing. Alternative materials should appear similar in scale, proportion, texture and finish to those used historically. They also must have a proven durability in similar locations in this climate. Metal products are allowed for soffits and eaves only.

The proposed materials are listed below:

Siding: The proposed siding is used brick. The dormers will be sided with HardieShingle. The

fascia and soffits will be aluminum material.

Roof: The 8:12 pitched gabled roof will be metal shingles with an overhang of twelve (12"), and

two shed roof dormers, one on each side of the peak, with a pitch of 2:12.

Windows:

The four windows on the east elevation (front) upper level will be four feet by three feet (4'x3') aluminum clad exterior, wood interior eight light operable casement windows.

The three windows on each of the north and south elevations (sides) upper level will be four feet by four feet (4'x4') aluminum clad exterior, wood interior eight light operable casement windows with two by three feet (2'x3') windows on either side.

The two windows on each of the north and south elevations (sides) lower level will be four feet by four feet (4'x4') aluminum clad exterior, wood interior eight light operable casement windows.

Doors: The auto door will be an eight foot by seven foot (8'x7') steel single carriage house door with windows. The front door will be two steel ten light French doors.

Analysis: The proposed accessory structure proposes to use materials that are different from the materials used on the principal structure and in the neighborhood. The use of metal shingle roof is not common in the surrounding structures and streetscape.

**Finding:** The materials proposed on accessory structure are not visually compatible with those utilized in the primary building or materials found in the neighborhood. The project does not meet the intent of this standard.

#### 3. Relationship to Street:

- a. Walls of Continuity. Facades and site structures, such as walls, fences and landscape masses shall, when it is characteristic of the area, form continuity along a street to ensure visual compatibility with the structures, public ways and places to which such elements are visually related;
- **b.** Rhythm of Spacing and Structures on Streets. The relationship of a structure or object to the open space between it and adjoining structures or objects shall be visually compatible with the structures, objects, public ways and places to which it is visually related;
- c. Directional Expression of Principal Elevation. A structure shall be visually compatible with the structures, public ways and places to which it is visually related in its orientation toward the street; and
- d. Streetscape-Pedestrian Improvements. Streetscape and pedestrian improvements and any change in its appearance shall be compatible to the historic character of the landmark site or H historic preservation overlay district.

#### **Standards for Accessory Structures**

- 9.2 Construct accessory buildings that are compatible with the primary structure.
- **9.3 Do not attach garages and carports to the primary structure.** Traditionally, garages were sited as a separate structure at the rear of the lot; this pattern should be maintained. The allowance of attached accessory structures is reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

#### Analysis:

Garages in the University Historic District are set back on the lot and are detached from the house. For the most part the garages on this block are small. Many of the properties have carports, or don't have garages at all.

The location of the garage at the rear of the lot is in keeping with the character of the block and historic district. However, because of its bulk, height, and orientation of the roof, the proposed structure competes and disrupts the visual rhythm of the primary façade of the house as well as the neighborhood.

**Finding:** The overall impact of the proposed accessory structure on the streetscape would be substantial. The proposed project does not meet the intent of this standard.

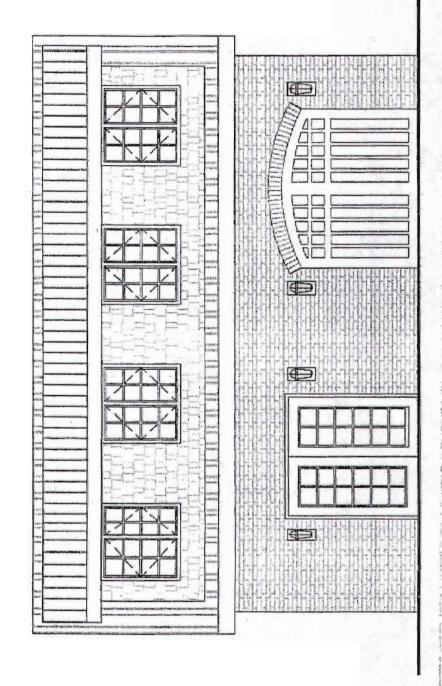
4. Subdivision of Lots. The planning director shall review subdivision plats proposed for property within an H historic preservation overlay district or of a landmark site and may require changes to ensure the proposed subdivision will be compatible with the historic character of the district and/or site(s).

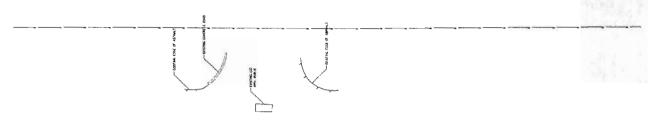
Finding: This application has no subdivision issues.

# Attachment A Site Plan

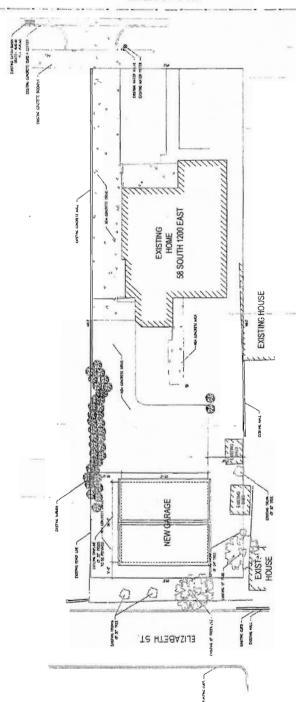
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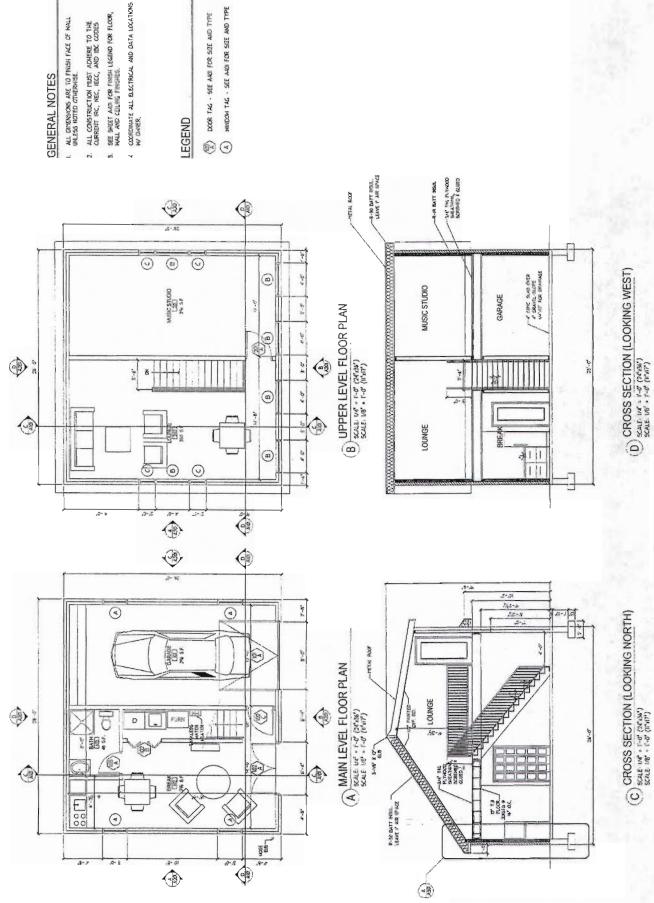
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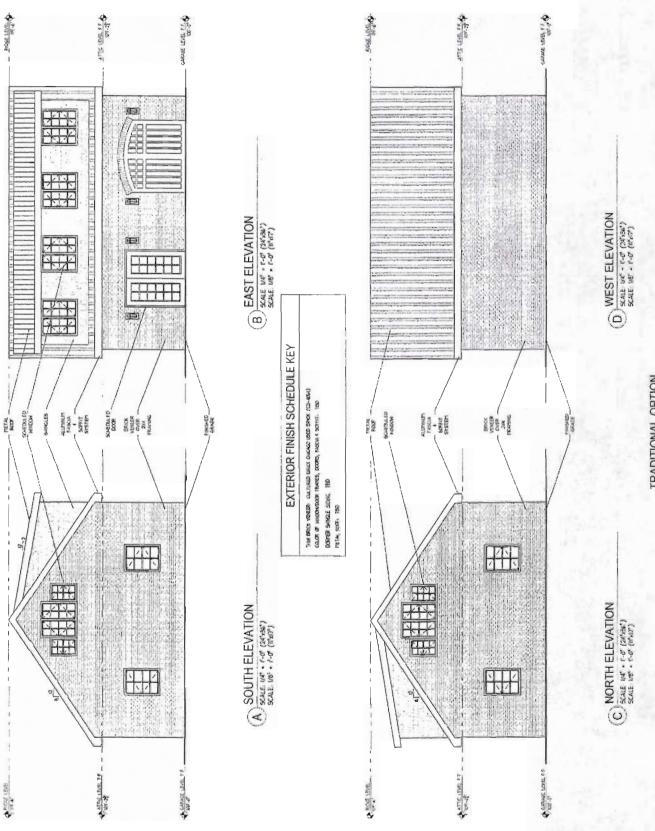


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Attachment B Transportation Division Review

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From:

Walsh, Barry

Sent:

Thursday, November 12, 2009 10:25 AM

To:

Pace, Katia

Cc:

Young, Kevin; Butcher, Larry; Stewart, Brad; Itchon, Edward; Weiler, Scott

Subject:

RE: PLNHLC2009-01224 Stevens Garage

Attachments:

Stevens Garage 58S 1200E redline site plan.pdf

Categories:

Other

November 12, 2009

Katia Pace, Planning

Re: Petition PLNHLC2009-01224 for a new detached garage at 58 South 1200 East

The division of transportation review comments and recommendations are as follows:

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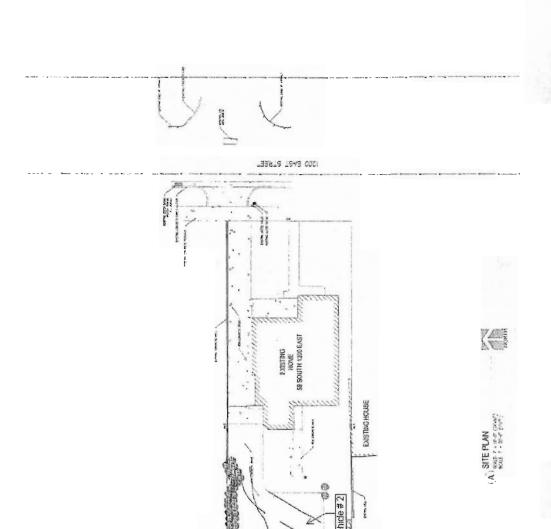
See attached redline PDF sheet A002.

Sincerely,

Barry Walsh

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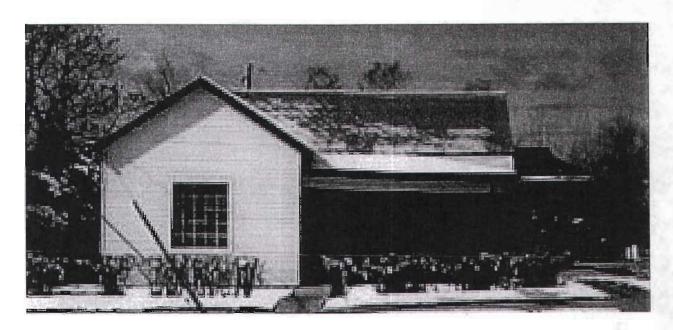
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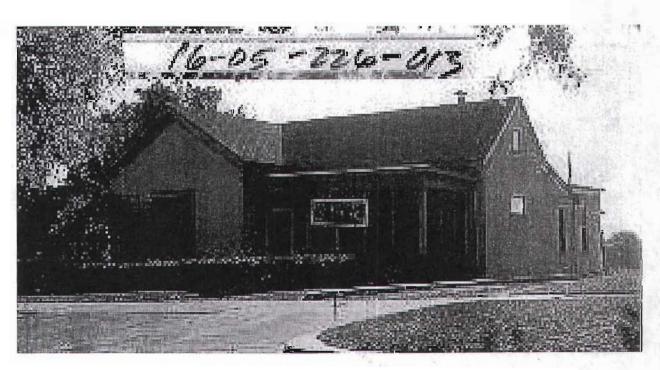
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Attachment C Photos

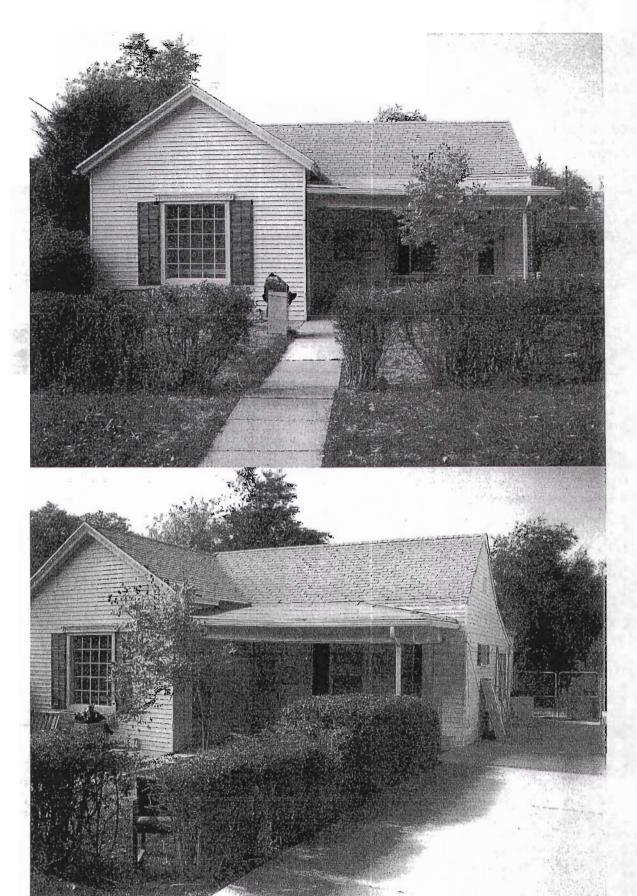
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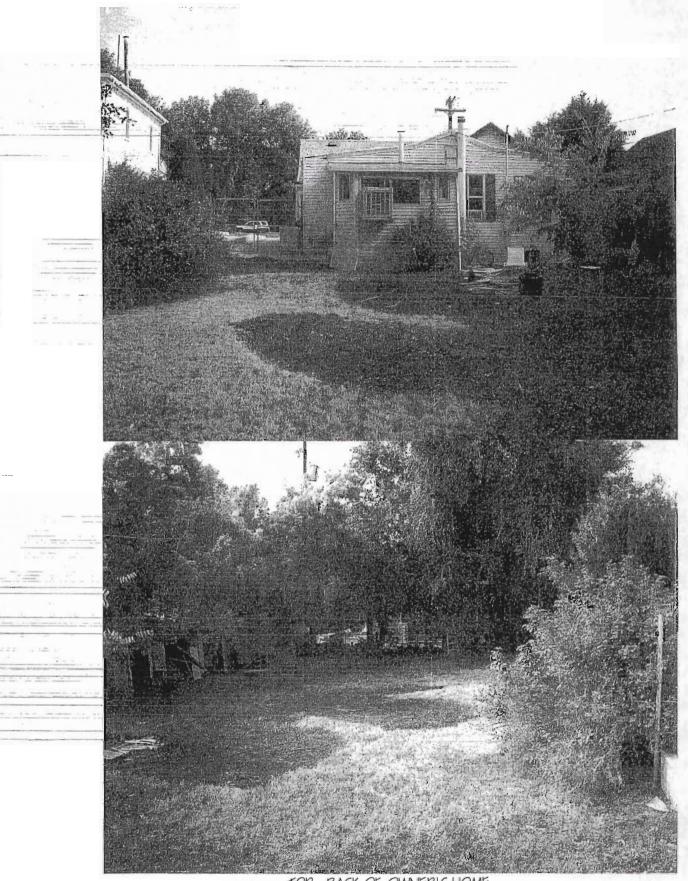
Historic Photo showing carport. Date unknown.



Historic Photo showing stucco siding. Date unknown.



FRONT OF OWNER'S HOME, GARAGE WILL BE LOCATED AT THE BACK RIGT SIDE OF LOT.



TOP: BACK OF OWNER'S HOME, BOTTOM: OWNER'S BACKYARD, GARAGE WILL BE LOCATED AT BACK RIGHT SIDE,